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## Former Councilman, Wife Convicted of Perjury, Voter Fraud

Former Los Angeles City Councilman Richard Alarcon and his wife were convicted today of lying about living at a Panorama City house after he was elected, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

The jury of seven women and five men found the 60-year-old Alarcon guilty of four felony counts, including one count of perjury on a declaration to run for office and three counts of fraudulently voting in elections in 2008 and 2009.

His wife, Flora Montes De Oca Alarcon, 49, was convicted of three felony counts, including one count of perjury for claiming that she lived at the Nordhoff Street address on a Provisional Voting Ballot, and two counts of fraudulently voting in elections in 2009.

Deputy District Attorney Michele Gilmer with the Public Integrity Division prosecuted the case.

The couple returns for sentencing before Superior Court Judge George Lomeli on Sept. 10. He faces up to six years in state prison and would be barred from ever holding elective office again.

She faces up to five years, four months in state prison and would be barred from ever running for election.

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